

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

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O'Neill *et al.*

Group Art Unit: 1619

Serial No.: 10/577,607

Examiner: Tigabu Kassa

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Docket No.: 50508-1400

For: **Dialysates and Methods and Systems Related Thereto**

RESPONSE (WITH AMENDMENTS)

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The final Office Action mailed October 1, 2010 has been carefully considered. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.114, a Request for Continued Examination is filed concurrently with this response so that the final Office Action is now effectively made non-final. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and presently pending claims, as amended, are respectfully requested.

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account no. 20-0778.